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SUBJ: PUERTO RICO IN UN COMITE OF 24

1. AUSTRALIAN AND IRANIAN REPS ON COMITE OF 24 (WHO CONTINUE TO TAKE LEAD IN TRYING TO BURY PUERTO RICAN ISSUE) TOLD MISOFF SEPARATELY AFTERNOON AUG. 20 THAT COMITE CHAIRMAN SALIM (TANZANIA) NOW FLOATING NEW COMPROMISE PROPOSAL IN ORDER TO AVOID DIVISIVE PUBLIC FIGHT AT COMITE'S NEXT MEETING (AUG 21) OVER WHETHER TO HEAR PUERTO RICAN INDEPENDENCE ADVOCATES DURING CURRENT SESSION OF COMITE. SALIM'S PROPOSAL WOULD HAVE COMITE AGREE BY CONSENSUS TO RECEIVE WRITTEN MATERIAL FROM INTERESTED PARTIES. AT SAME TIME, COMITE WOULD UNANIMOUSLY ADOPT RESOLUTION WHOSE OP PARAS
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WOULD: 1) INSTRUCT COMITE SECRETARIAT TO PREPARE PAPER ON PUERTO

RICO BY EARLY NEXT YEAR; 2) CALL ON US NOT TO TAKE ANY ACTION WHICH WOULD PREJUDGE FUTURE POLITICAL STATUS OF PUERTO RICO. ACCORDING TO BOTH AUSTRALIANS AND IRANIANS, THIS COMPROMISE (WHICH WOULD RULE OUT COMITE'S HEARING PUERTO RICAN INDEPENDENCE TYPES THIS YEAR) ACCEPTABLE WITH VARYING DEGREES OF ENTHUSIASM TO ALL MEMBERS OF COMITE EXCEPT IRAQIS. LATTER STILL INSISTING ON HEARING PUERTO RICANS IN NEXT FEW WEEKS AND THREATEN TO SPEAK OUT ON ISSUE AT MEETING AFTERNOON AUG. 21. OBVIOUS TO BOTH AUSTRALIANS AND IRANIANS THAT IF IRAQIS PRESS ISSUE PUBLICLY AND CALL FOR VOTE, MAJORITY OF COMITE WILL HAVE TO JUMP ON PUERTO RICAN INDEPENDENCE BANDWAGON.

3. SALIM'S SUGGESTED COMPROMISE REPRESENTS SUBSTANTIAL CONCESSION BY HIM TO OUR NEEDS AND PRESUMABLY STEMS FROM AMB. SCALI'S CONVERSATION WITH HIM. IF PUBLIC HEARING FOR INDEPENDENTISTAS IS AVOIDED, MEDIA COVERAGE BOTH IN US AND PUERTO RICO OF COMITE ACTION SHOULD BE RELATIVELY LOW KEY. WE AS WELL AS PUERTO RICAN GOV. HERNANDEZ-COLON SHOULD ALSO BE ABLE CONTINUE TO HOLD TO LAST YEAR'S POSITION THAT COMITE STILL CONCERNED WITH "PROCEDURAL" ASPECTS OF PUERTO RICO ISSUE AND THAT UNGA 1953 RESOLUTION DECLARING PUERTO RICO SELF-GOVERNING TERRITORY STILL VALID IN ALL RESPECTS.

4. WE BELIEVE THAT IN COMITE OF 24 CONTEXT ONLY CHAIRMAN SALIM POSSESSES SUFFICIENT LEVERAGE TO PERSUADE IRAQIS TO ACCEPT COMPROMISE. WE PLANNING TO FOLLOW UP AGAIN WITH SALIM, USING ALL AVAILABLE LEVERAGE.
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